



BUILD A SOLID CAREER WITH LITTLE TO NO DEBT!

This program offers a structured way to learn, using the oldest, most proven method – apprenticeship.



INSTRUCTION

At the Barr Construction Institute (BCI), learning by doing is the central focus. Classes are led by seasoned industry professionals who bring real-world expertise to the classroom. Through engaging multimedia lessons and hands-on lab sessions, students gain practical skills and personalized guidance, including one-on-one time with instructors. Whether mastering the basics or advancing the craft, programs at the BCI are built to help graduates thrive in their trade.

CLASS SCHEDULE

Sessions are held at the D.M. Bowman Family Workforce Training Center. Classes typically meet on Mondays and Wednesdays, or Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6 to 9 p.m.

LOCATION

The BCI is housed within the D.M. Bowman Family Workforce Training Center, a campus of Hagerstown Community College, located at 562 Northern Avenue. This new facility features five fully equipped classrooms, five hands-on practical labs, and a comfortable student lounge with vending machines for convenience.

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Located at:
D.M. Bowman Family Workforce Training Center
562 Northern Avenue
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The Barr Construction Institute is affiliated with Hagerstown Community College. The BCI provides both formal apprenticeships and craft training programs that are registered with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation (DLLR), the National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER), and Maryland Apprenticeship and Training Council (MATC). The Apprenticeship Program Standards are registered with and approved by the states of Maryland, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia Department of Labor, Office of Apprenticeship (OA).

BUILDING A
BETTER FUTURE
through Apprenticeship Programs



There are approximately
500K construction jobs available

across the United States.

Through apprenticeship, students earn their way to a family-sustaining wage over four years. After completing the program, many graduates earn

\$60K+ a year

with little to no debt.



What is apprenticeship?

Apprenticeship is a relationship between an employee and an employer during which the worker (the apprentice) learns a craft. The ability to “earn while you learn” combines working with on-the-job training and classroom instruction.

Apprenticeship training typically includes:

- Apprentice-level pay from the employer
- Planned on-the-job training under proper supervision
- Classroom training two nights per week
- Training time of four years

APPRENTICESHIP TRACKS

The Barr Construction Institute (BCI) offers four-years of classroom instruction and registered apprenticeships in the following trades:

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- HVAC/R
- Plumbing

Each program covers four years of classroom instruction. Attaining Journeyman status for most trades, a student must accumulate 8,000 on-the-job training hours and at least 576 hours of related instruction in order to achieve Journeyman status. A full-time job totals 2,000 hours each year and BCI's apprenticeship training program provides at least 144 hours of related instruction per year.

WHAT IS THE JOB OUTLOOK?

The job outlook for skilled trades in Maryland is strong, with a projected 7% increase in employment for construction laborers from 2023 to 2033. Many opportunities exist for plumbers, electricians, HVAC technicians, and construction workers.

WHO PAYS FOR THE TRAINING?

Typically, once a student is hired, the employer will pay for the training. For self-pay students, BCI staff will assist in identifying what help may be available.

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